



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

Fire Chief Patrick Kelly



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Ward 3 – Recycle Plant Fire – 3000 Block of North Runway Drive

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Dispatch Time – 1604
On-Scene Time – 1608
Under Control - 1710

The alarm company that monitors this business called 911 reporting a water-flow alarm sounding. People driving in the area also called 911 reporting visible smoke. Firefighters arrived to find a sprinkler head activated on the south side of the building, and a fire in the yard just south of the building. Large lines were pulled, thousands of gallons of water were dumped in the yard, and heavy equipment was used to extinguish this fire. Ten units, thirty firefighters and one hour later the fire was placed under control. No injuries occurred.

Damage estimate - \$20,000

Cause – Accidental – from materials that were discarded in the recycling pile.

Origin – middle or bottom of the pile of recycled materials.

Only place recyclable materials in recycle bins. Hot items or chemicals can cause a fire.